To: Poetter, Joe[poetter.joe@epa.gov]

Cc: Myers, Craig[Myers.Craig@epa.gov]; Williams, Laura[williams.laura@epa.gov]; Ostrander,

David[Ostrander.David@epa.gov]; Bielenberg, Ben[Bielenberg.Ben@epa.gov]; Mills, Bethany[Mills.Bethany@epa.gov]; Wilborn, Kendra[Wilborn.Kendra@epa.gov]

From: Ferguson, Ralph

**Sent:** Wed 9/23/2015 4:24:11 AM

Subject: Re: Mountain Study

I will track it down.

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On Sep 22, 2015, at 10:58 AM, Poetter, Joe poetter.joe@epa.gov> wrote:

Yes - that was my understanding as well that \$50k was the ceiling. We would only pay the amount of the invoice of which I have not seen.

Joe

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 22, 2015, at 9:59 AM, Myers, Craig < Myers. Craig@epa.gov > wrote:

Wait a minute. There's no way we owe \$50k now – that was close to the total cost if memory serves. The NTP I signed had various sampling events built into it, with some event/emergency sampling tied to rain events or discharges from the mine. I don't recall it being an upfront/advance payment. When Dan and I talked, I was under the impression they had performed some of the work and thus needed payment.

Craig Myers

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email: myers.craig@epa.gov From: Poetter, Joe Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2015 9:36 AM To: Williams, Laura; Ostrander, David Cc: Bielenberg, Ben; Ferguson, Ralph; Mills, Bethany; Wilborn, Kendra; Myers, Craig Subject: FW: Mountain Study Laura/David, See below. Please let me know if you approve payment to MSI in the amount of \$50,000 and we can get them paid as early as today. Kendra, Bethany will need a DCN to allocate the payment. Thanks, Joe Joe Poetter | Financial Management Officer US EPA Region 8 | 8TMS-F 1595 Wynkoop Street Denver, CO 80202 (303) 312-6186 (w)

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From: Bielenberg, Ben

Sent: Saturday, September 19, 2015 3:17 PM

**To:** Ferguson, Ralph **Cc:** Poetter, Joe

Subject: Re: Mountain Study

Not sure about this one...Was it a contract or CA?

Have they invoiced us? Who is the po?sorry for all the q s

Ben

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 19, 2015, at 8:52 AM, Ferguson, Ralph < Ferguson.Ralph@epa.gov > wrote:

Hey guys hope you're doing well. Craig called about mountain studies who has not yet received payment. Apparently we owe them \$50,000 Dan Wall has been trying to reach Bethany Mills unsuccessfully. That is all the information that I have right now and I was hoping that you guys could help me out.

Thanks,

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